

**NASHOBA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

April 12, 2012

SCHOOL COMMITTEE IN ATTENDANCE: Maureen Busch, Kathy Owen, Jeff Odell, George Babich, Lynn Colletti and Julie Fay

ABSENT: Nancy Federspiel and Reta Rupich

ADMINISTRATION IN ATTENDANCE: Michael Wood, Superintendent, George King, Assistant Superintendent

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Babich called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM in the School Committee Conference Room

Student Advisory Report

Mr. Oliver Jenkins reported on the following topics:

- NRHS sports
- LBGT Assembly/Day of Silence
- Earth Day
- Mr. Nashoba Pageant
- Val and Sal
- Prom tickets are on sale
- Moody's Mega Math Challenge

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Committee went into Executive Session at 6:10 pm for the purpose of discussing litigation to include Michael Wood, George King and Aleta Masterson.

MOTION

Jeff Odell made a motion to go into executive session at 6:10 pm for the purpose of discussing litigation to include Michael Wood, George King and Aleta Masterson; seconded by Maureen Busch.

Ms. Owen	Yes
Ms. Busch	Yes
Mr. Odell	Yes
Ms. Fay	Yes
Ms. Colletti	Yes
Mr. Babich	Yes

MOTION

Maureen made a motion to reconvene to open session at 6:26 pm; seconded by Jeff Odell.

Ms. Owen	Yes
Ms. Busch	Yes
Mr. Odell	Yes
Ms. Fay	Yes
Ms. Colletti	Yes
Mr. Babich	Yes

CONSENT AGENDA

Topics on consent agenda included:

March 29, 2012 Warrants

<u>WARRANT NO.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
3230	3/30/12	VENDOR	\$ 424,606.69
3231	3/30/12	BENEFIT	\$ 942,188.36
3232	3/30/12	PAYROLL	\$1,162,413.98

April 13, 2012 Warrants

<u>WARRANT NO.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
3233	4/13/12	VENDOR	\$5,946,153.06
3234	4/13/12	BENEFIT	\$ 577,219.77
3235	4/13/12	PAYROLL	\$1,164,264.07

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SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance SubCommittee

Ms. Busch reported the warrants were approved, no other business to report.

Personnel SubCommittee

Ms. Fay reported the committee meet yesterday to review the data from the Superintendent’s Evaluation survey, the committee is meeting again on April 24th, information will be forwarded to the school committee later that day

Policy SubCommittee

Mr. Babich reported the committee met last week to work on the Social Network Protocol and the Personal Device Network Usage Policy, which both will be presented tonight for first reading.

ESBC

Ms. Colletti reported the committee met last Monday, stating the builder is looking for more days now is a possible finish date of July 24th.

SPED PAC

Ms. Owen reported SPED Pac met on March 21st, the topic was "How to Succeed with Asperger's Syndrome: Strategies, Personal Experience and Resources", hosted by Carl Ann Edscorn, adjunct instructor at Granite State College. The next meeting is April 24th, the topic is : Basic Rights: the team Evaluation Process and Related Questions, presented by Barbara Rich, M.Ed.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Wood reviewed his Superintendent's report; *(The Superintendent's Report is available in full on the NRSD website at <http://www.nrsd.net>)*

Topics included:

- ❖ Center School Building Project
- ❖ Field and track Renovation and Reuse
- ❖ Phase II of State Budget Process

Track and Field Renovation and Re-Use Presentation

Mr. Wood presented a power point presentation on the proposed Track and Field Renovation and Re-Use Proposal. Citizens attending the meeting asked questions on the following topics which we all answered by Mr. Wood; fund raising, how the cost of the field will impact the tax payers, how the bond will be spread out into payments of \$190,000 for 15 years, the cost of maintenance to both the existing field and the new field and timeline/the next steps in the process.

NRSD Winter Athletics Report

Ms. Rich attended the meeting to report out on the Winter Athletics in the district her report included;

235 winter athletes; 68% of those student-athletes made the Q2 honor roll
Half of our winter teams qualified for playoffs
Total League All Stars = 27
State Champion in skiing and a New England Champion in 100-meter

Girls' Basketball – 20-3 – District Finalist

- Best finish in school history
- 4 all stars

Boys' Basketball 6-13

- Hayden Peirce - Mid-Wach B Academic Book Award and all star

Ice Hockey 10-8-4

- District Semi-finalists – best finish since 2001
- All stars – 3 – Mark Laskey, Drew Foster, Devyn Levesque
- Brandon Hennessey – Boston Bruins-MIAA Sportsmanship Award
- Tanner Douglas - Massachusetts State Hockey Coaches Association/MIAA's All-Academic Hockey Team; 1 of 6 students

Girls' Ice Hockey Co-op 14-4-2

- Girls' ice hockey co-op team was very successful this year. We had three students playing for the team. The team made the MIAA tournament, won the first round game, but then lost in the quarter finals.
- Katie Lombardozzi was the third leading point scoring in Central Mass with 18 goals and 14 assists.

Indoor Track

- Boys – League Champions; Girls – 2nd place in the league

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- John Ojukwu – 1st place in league meet, district meet, class meet, and New England Champion in 55-meter dash; set a new school record of 6.43
- Jair Cruikshank – 1st place in league and district meet in the 600
- Brandon Steff took 1st place in the shot put in the league meet; Forest Hangen won the league meet in the 1000
- Kara McCormack – set school records in the mile, 2 mile, and distance medley relay; first place in league and district meet
- Allie Allaire – first place in league meet 2 mile
- All stars: Girls – 4; Boys - 12

Alpine Ski

- Girls' team qualified and placed 6th place in the state – Rachel & Jenna Peabody, Kat Malley (each all stars)
- Jenna Peabody – State Champion in Giant Slalom; Boston Globe All Scholastic Team
- Boys – Jay Harvey qualified as an alternate

Nordic Ski

- Girls' team placed 15th in the state
- Did not have enough boys to qualify for states as a team

Wrestling 10-12

- John Graves – Sectional Champion in his weight class
- Jesse Batson – Sectional Finalist and finished 6th in the state in his weight class

NEW BUSINESS

Annual Town Meeting Preparation

Mr. Wood advised that annual town meeting in all three towns is May 7th. Mr. Wood advised there will be a member of the NRSD administration team at each town meeting and the district will not have a budget presentation for the meeting, Selectmen from the towns of Bolton and Stow have already said they are in favor of the budget and Lancaster is not going to vote in favor of the budget but does not have any questions on it. Mr. Wood advised there will be a short presentation on the turf field and NRSD staff will speak to it, but any school committee member who wants to speak to it is also welcome.

Social Networking Protocol, First Reading

Mr. Wood directed the committee to the Social Networking Protocol in the packet for a first reading and provided an explanation of the purpose of the protocol and Social Networking Policy. Mr. Wood stated the committee tried to create a protocol that is clear as to the expectations of staff when using social networking sites to communicate with parents, students and other staff members. Mr. Wood advised that staff members from the high school were involved in the writing of the policy and protocol.

Personal Device Network Usage Policy, First Reading

Mr. Wood advised that over the last couple years we have upgraded our infrastructure regarding internet and intranet access, in the process of doing so we had the goal in mind to allow staff to be able to bring their own devices to schools, so therefore we are designing part of the infrastructure to be a guest host. We are hoping to start this pilot with teachers this spring and in the future allow students to bring in their own devices as well (with parental consent). Students opting to do this would need to agree to our rules and protocol on internet use. Mr. Wood advised we still have some areas to work out, like power supply. Mr. Wood stated we are looking at this in the future as a way of managing our technology hardware costs as students bringing their own devices in will not require school hardware resources.

Unified Track and Field Grant Donation Acceptance

Mr. Wood advised the committee that Nashoba Regional High School Athletics Department has received a \$2500.00 grant from the Special Olympics Massachusetts Project Unify to support the high school's Unified Track and Field Team.

MOTION

Jeff Odell made a motion to accept the \$2500.00 grant from the Special Olympics Massachusetts Project Unify to support the high school's Unified Track and Field Team. seconded by Maureen Busch **IN FAVOR:** Kathy Owen, Jeffrey Odell, Julie Fay, Lynn Colletti, Maureen Busch and George Babich **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)**

OLD BUSINESS

None

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

MOTION

Maureen Busch made a motion to adjourn at 8:03 pm seconded by Jeff Odell **IN FAVOR:** Kathy Owen, Jeffrey Odell, Julie Fay, Lynn Colletti, Maureen Busch and George Babich **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)**

Respectfully Submitted,
Aleta Masterson
Executive Assistant